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POLYMERASE ACTIVITY AND METHODS
OF USE THEREOF

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION (37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.116)

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This paper is in response to the Final office action mailed June 14, 2005 ("the OA"). A Notice of Appeal was submitted October 14, 2005; thus, a response was initially due December 14, 2005. Applicants herein submit a petition for a two month extension of time to February 14, 2006, under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, with the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17. Accordingly, this paper is timely filed. Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments and consideration of the remarks set forth herein. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.